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TAGS: OVIP (MANSFIELD, MICHAEL J.)

SUBJECT: CODEL MANSFIELD

1. SENATOR MANSFIELD WILL BE TRAVELING VIA HONG KONG TO THAILAND, BURMA, AND LAOS AUGUST 12, ALONG WITH FRANK VALEO, SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, AND NORVILL JONES, STAFF MEMBER OF SENATE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS, TO STUDY MAJOR U.S. FOREIGN POLICY PROBLEMS RELATED TO THOSE COUNTRIES WITH EMPHASIS ON: (1) THAILAND: INTERNAL POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS, EVOLVING REGIONAL RELATIONS, INFORMATION CONCERNING DEVELOPMENTS IN CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM, THE WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. MILITARY FORCES, AND U.S. ANTI-DRUG OPERATIONS; (2) BURMA: INTERNAL POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS, U.S. ANTI-DRUG PROGRAM, AND OTHER MATTERS CONCERNING U.S. INTERESTS; AND (3) LAOS: INTERNAL POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS, INFORMATION CONCERNING DEVELOPMENTS IN VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PROSPECTS FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION, AND THE MIA PROBLEM.

CODEL WISHES A FULL EMBASSY BRIEFING ON THESE MATTERS,
APPOINTMENTS WITH APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT LEADERS, AND
KNOWLEDGEABLE FOREIGN OBSERVERS.

2. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOLLOWS:

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12 0950 DEPART DULLES NW 3

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13 1630 ARRIVE TOKYO

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13 1730 DEPART TOKYO PA 1

--- 2135 ARRIVE HONG KONG

MONDAY, AUGUST 16 0900 DEPART HONG KONG CX 703

--- 1045 ARRIVE BANGKOK

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20 0915 DEPART BANGKOK PA 2

--- 1500 ARRIVE HONG KONG

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22 0935 DEPART HONG KONG NW 4

--- 0715 ARRIVE SEATTLE

--- 0855 DEPART SEATTLE NW 78

--- 1635 ARRIVE DULLES

3. ACTION BY ADDRESSEES:

A. HONG KONG - HOTEL PREFERENCE IN HONG KONG IS THE
PENINSULA. PLEASE PROVIDE BRIEFING ON DEVELOPMENTS IN
THE PRC.

B. RANGOON - PLEASE NOTIFY NE WIN OF SENATOR'S VISIT.

C. ALL POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO APPOINT CONTROL OFFICERS
AND MEET AND ASSIST CODEL.

D. CODEL REQUESTS THAT NO FORMAL SOCIAL AFFAIRS BE
SCHEDULED OTHER THAN IN RESPONSE TO ANY INVITATION EX-
TENDED BY NE WIN.

4. VALEO AND JONES HAVE TOP SECRET CLEARANCES.

5. USE OF LOCAL CURRENCIES 19FT510 FUNDS UP TO EQUIVALENT
US DOLS 75 PER DAY PLUS ACTUAL TRANSPORTATION COSTS
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